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Deuteronomy 7:1-11

Hunting near the Arctic Circle in the early winter, I've often worn my blazing orange parka. It doesn't hide me from the barren-ground caribou, but I do appreciate the fact that I am very clearly visible to the other hunters. I remember a conservation officer telling me that he could see me clear across the tundra. I stood out and that was a good thing!

In today's reading, God told His people that they needed to stand out. They were about to enter into a new land, with all kinds of people who didn't know God, people who were much larger and stronger. The temptation would be to blend in, to not make waves, to mix in with the people and become one of them.

However, that was not at all what God had in mind. He wanted them to stand out. He had a purpose and a promise for them. They would be His people and He would be faithful to them, even a thousand times over.

Today, we are often challenged to blend in with the world around us. God calls us to stand apart and be faithful to Him, just as He is faithful to us.

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