

SYNCRETISM

the attempted reconciliation or union of different or opposing principles, practices, or parties, as in philosophy or religion

early 17th cent.: from modern Latin syncretismus, from Greek sunkrētismos, from sunkrētizein 'unite against a third party,' from sun- 'together' + krēs 'Cretan' (originally with reference to ancient Cretan communities).

This big, fancy sounding word is one of the most powerful tools in Satan's toolbox. You do not need to destroy the church if you can simply **ABSORB** it.

How does the world absorb the church?

THROUGH COMPROMISE.

The example of Balaam (Num 22-24):

compromise of our morals

The failure to conquer the land (Judges 1):

compromising of our will and determination

“Give us a king” (1 Sam 8):

compromising due to isolation

Jeroboam's calves (1 Kgs 12:26-30):

compromise due to inconvenience

Solomon's wives (1 Kgs 11:1-4):

compromising of our loyalties

And Elijah came near unto all the people, and said, “How long go ye limping between the two sides? if Jehovah be God, follow Him; but if Baal, then follow him.” And the people answered him not a word. (1 Kgs 18:21)