Ezekiel 20:17... And my eye began to feel sorry for them to keep me from bringing them to ruin, and I did not make an extermination of them in the wilderness.

[4] - References:

- You, even you, in your abundant mercy did not leave them in the wilderness. The pillar of cloud itself did not depart from over them by day to lead them in the way, nor the pillar of fire by night to light up for them the way in which they should go. (Nehemiah 9:19)
- But he was merciful, he would cover the error and not bring ruin. And many times he made his anger turn back, and he would not rouse up all his rage. (Psalms 78:38)
- For I am with you, is the utterance of Yehowah, to save you, but I shall make an extermination among all the nations to which I have scattered you. However, in your case I shall make no extermination. And I shall have to correct you to the proper degree, as I shall by no means leave you unpunished. (Jeremiah 30:11)
- It is the acts of loving-kindness of Yehowah that we have not come to our finish, because his mercies will certainly not come to an end. (Lamentations 3:22)