## **Reflection Questions:**

- 1. Reflect and share about your observations and assumptions of the state of the Church in the US.
- 2. What imagery can you recall from Scripture that affirms the home of God's people being in the desert?
- 3. Read Matthew 14:13-21. Why are people flocking to Jesus in the desert? What does this say about the religious centers of the temple and synagogue? How does this challenge our conception/practice of the church now?
- 4. Who are the people you know who are flocking to the desert? What are the opportunities presented by the church making its home in the desert? What are the opportunities for our church?

## **Practice for the Week:**

Read and reflect on the following passages: 2 Samuel 7:1-7; Luke 9:57-62; Hebrews 11:8-16.