Study Notes: Happy Anniversary, Mt. Hebron. What's Next?

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Question 1: What's possible for Mt. Hebron?

The sermon opens with a reflection on what's possible for Mt. Hebron. Whatever one thinks is possible for the church, gossip will kill it off completely, or water it down to the point of being ineffective (refer to the sermon on March 10, 2024 - <u>Tell Me Something</u> <u>Good</u> - for more on gossip.)

Question 2. What is your contribution to Mt. Hebron?

This question about personal contributions to Mt. Hebron's potential, inspired by 3 John 1, 5-8. It emphasizes the faithfulness, hospitality, and support given by Gaius, a member of the church, as an encouragement for us to contribute to what's possible at Mt. Hebron. Also included within this question is a look at Diotrephes, a member of the church, whose self-centeredness and destructive behavior disrupted ministry.

Question 3. Who do you consider to be / have been a model member? Why?

This question encourages us to consider the behavior of those who we consider to have been model members due to their love and good works, as Demetirus illustrated in 3 John 9-12. We should avoid emulating evil deeds and instead, imitating good ones.

Restoration and Renewal

A call for restoration to God and renewal of days as in former times, inspired by Lamentations 5:21. This verse serves as a concluding prayer or wish for the church, seeking a return to a state of blessing and favor from God.