

13 - A PERSONAL LETTER (PHILEMON 1-7)

I. Paul's Greetings (1-3)

A. The writer (1a)

1. The writer's identity

- The writer of the letter is _____.

2. The nature of his identity

- Paul identifies himself only as _____.

- In most of his letters, Paul identifies himself as _____.

- Identifying himself as a prisoner of Christ reflects that the letter is _____.

3. The writer's companion

- Paul also greets them on _____.

B. The recipients (1b-2)

1. Philemon (1b)

- The letter was addressed to Philemon, whom Paul called _____.

- Philemon had some wealth since he had _____.

2. Apphia (2a)

- The letter is also addressed to Apphia who was most likely _____.

3. Archippus (2b)

- The letter is also addressed to Archippus who is possibly _____.

4. The church (2c)

- Finally, the letter is also addressed to the church that _____.

C. The greeting (1:2b)

- Paul bestows _____ from the Father and Jesus.

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II. Paul's Praise (4-7)

A. Thanksgiving (4)

- Paul thanks God for them as he _____.

B. Their testimony (5)

- He gave thanks for their love and faith which they had toward _____.

C. Their witness (6)

- Paul prayed that their sharing of the faith would _____.
- This is because they recognized the good things which _____.

D. Their impact (7)

- Paul stated that he and his companions found joy in _____.