

In Philippians chapter one,
PAUL was / is...

somewhat
different from
in most other Letters

living with
uncertainty (1:19-26)
(fill in the blank)

under
Roman house arrest (Acts 28)
(fill in the blank)

not identified as
an apostle in the first verse
(fill in the blank)

concerned about
church unity (1:27, 2:3, 4:2)
(fill in the blank)

showing what
Romans could be like (1:15-16)
(fill in the blank)

not as theological as
in most other first chapters
(fill in the blank)

appointed to
defend the gospel (1:7, 17)
(fill in the blank)

envied
by ambitious
Roman preachers
(1:15-16, 2:3)

more personal
than in most other Letters
(fill in the blank)

gospel-centered
in multiple ways (1:7, 17, 27)
(fill in the blank)

pointing to Christ
rather than Caesar (1:11,18,21)
(fill in the blank)

pointing to Christ
more than in most Letters
(fill in the blank)

confined but
still effective (1:12-14)
(fill in the blank)

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thinking like
Christ's soldier (1:19-30)
(fill in the blank)

not afraid
to die (1:21) or suffer (1:30)
(fill in the blank)

Descriptive

Directions: After thoughtfully reading through the first chapter of Philippians, consider the points about Paul made above. Would you have filled in the blank lines the same way? Which points do you think are most helpful in making personal applications? How should we be like Paul? Of course, we are not apostles, but in Philippians Paul was careful not to indentify as one either.

Meditation

ABOVE ALL,
joyfully serving Christ (1:21)
(fill in the blank)