

THREE GREAT CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PHILIPPIANS SAINTS.
PHILIPPIANS 1:3-5

Introduction:

- A. Every person has a personality.
 - 1. Introvert = turned inward.
 - 2. Extrovert = turned outward.
 - 3. Neither of them is best.

- B. Churches have personalities.
 - 1. Some quiet, thinking, reflective.
 - 2. Some rather loud, outgoing, boisterous.

- C. The Philippian church had three great personality manifestations.
 - 1. These would be good for us.

I THEY WERE EASY TO THINK ABOUT. V3

- A. Some people aren't pleasant to remember!
 - 1. Our encounters with them are best forgotten.
 - 2. We stiffen a little when we hear the name.

- B. Some people are remembered with joy!
 - 1. When Paul thought of them he thanked God.
 - 2. Every time he remembered he prayed, a prayer of thanksgiving.

- C. Is this the type of response your name gets?
 - 1. When people hear your name do they groan and roll their eyes heavenward?

II. THEY WERE EASY TO PRAY FOR. V4

- A. Why were they easy to pray for?
 - 1. They were saints in every way the name implies.
 - 2. They were saved, baptized, committed.