

## **Abstract**

Karl Jaspers is a thinker who tries in his philosophy to formulate a non-religious concept of faith. The thesis wants to clarify this “philosophical faith”, which constitutes for Jaspers an answer to the question, “by what and toward what shall we live”. Jaspers characterizes his philosophical faith as a “faith of a thinking man”, which lay in grounds of philosophizing itself. On the one hand, philosophical faith (and philosophy itself) is different from the knowledge and science, because it cannot be reduced to a mere content; on the other hand, it is different from the religious faith and religion itself, mainly because it cannot accept the traditional Christian revelation. Finally, philosophical faith can be characterized as a communicative manner of life, which wants to reach the maximum possible level of understanding by all people.

## **Keywords**

Karl Jaspers, philosophical faith, transcendence, existence, religion, revelation, communication