



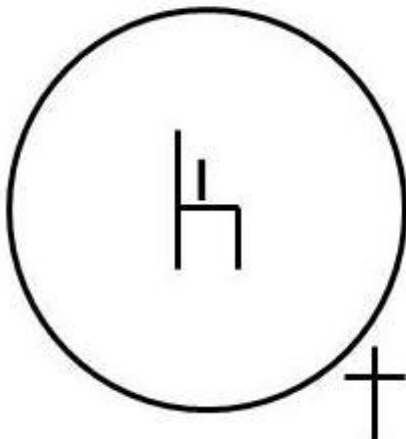
In the studies 'Conversion'<sup>1</sup> and 'Discipleship'<sup>2</sup> man is regarded as spirit, soul and body. Here we describe the changes that take place in the spiritual world as a consequence of the choices a person makes, and we present them schematically.

In this short study we put the relationship of authority between a person and Jesus in the picture in a simple manner, showing the change as a result of conversion and discipleship as well.

**Symbols:**

- **Circle:** a person's life.
- **Chair:** the place of authority, the throne from where life is directed.
- **I:** the person.
- **Cross:** Jesus Christ.

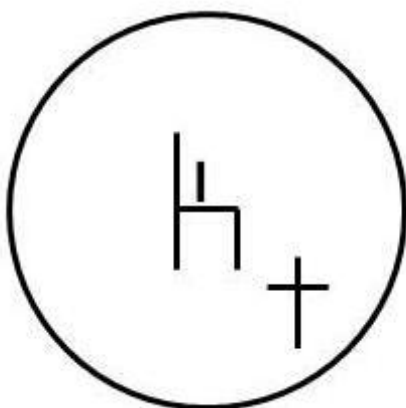
The population of the world can be divided into three categories of people:



**People who do not know Jesus.**

Jesus Christ is outside the person's life.

I do not know Jesus, or do not want to know Him.  
I sit on my throne.  
I determine what I do in life.



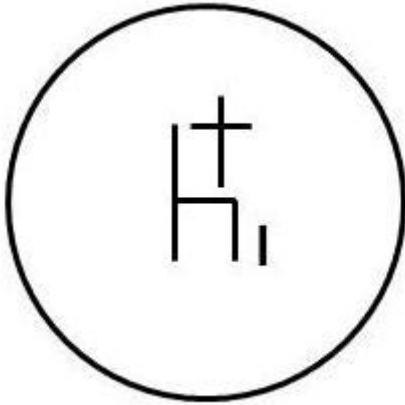
**People who know Jesus in their life.**

Jesus Christ is inside the circle of life.  
The image of **converted man**, the believer.

I know **Jesus**.  
I believe that **He** is the Son of the Living God.  
I know that my sins are forgiven through **His** atoning death on the cross of Golgotha.  
I try to live as **Jesus** wants me to, but hold on to the authority over my life.  
I sit on the throne.  
My prayer is that **Jesus** will bless the way **I** want to go.

1 Study: Conversion.  
2 Study: Discipleship (1).

**People who give Jesus the authority over their life.**



The believer has ceded his place on the throne to Jesus Christ.

The image of **the disciple of Jesus.**

I have descended from the throne and have asked **Jesus** to take over the authority over my life.

I sit at **His** feet, to learn from **Him** and to listen to what **He** has to say about my life.

I place my whole life under **His** authority.

My prayer is that **Jesus** will show **His** perfect way for me, on which I shall be able to receive **His** full blessing, as **He** promised: *I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. (John 10:10)*