

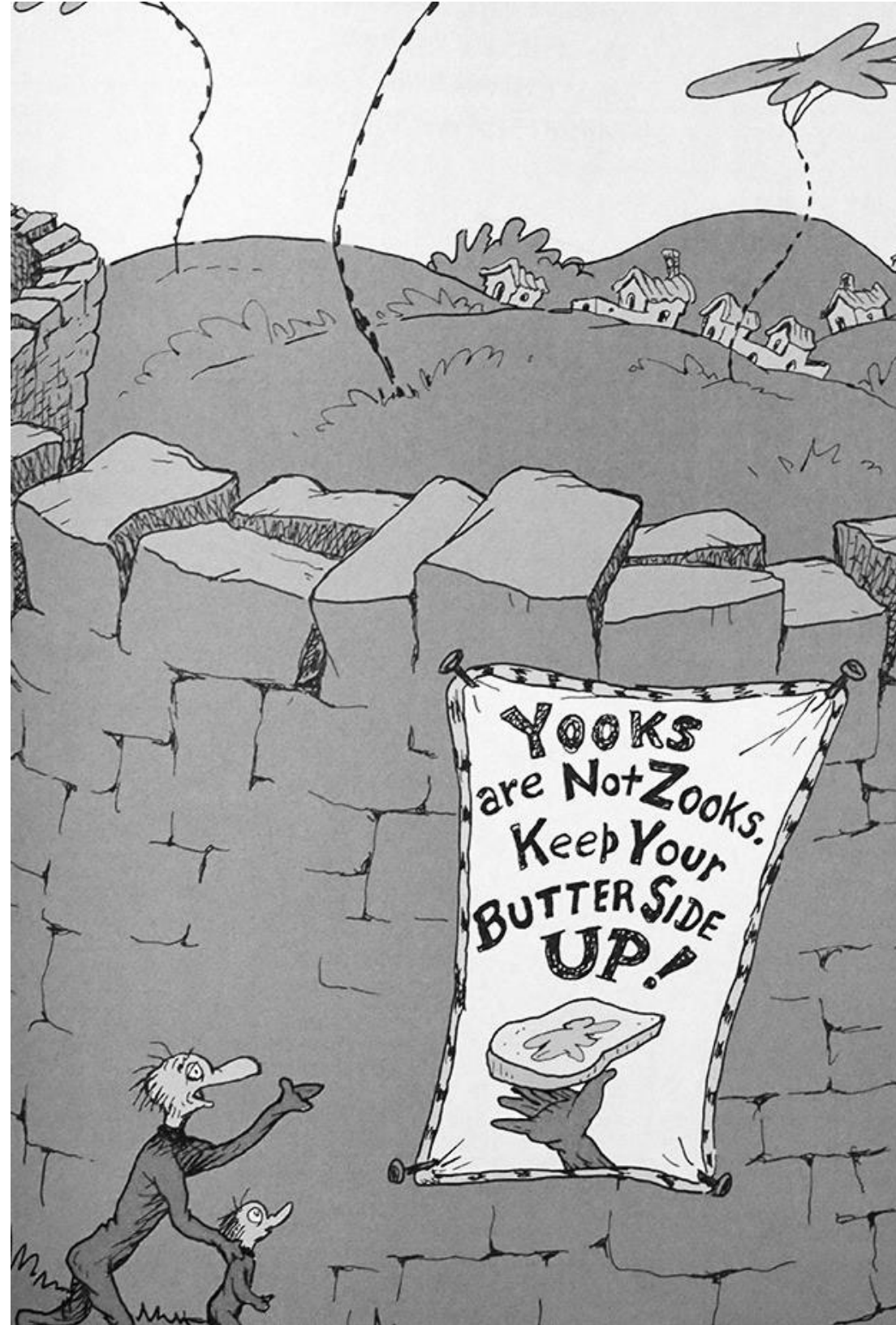
Journaling & Reflection:

Reflect on this section when you get home. Try to journal your responses and pray over them throughout the week...

- 1. Make a list of the labels you carry; both the categories you see as positive and the ones you perceive as negative. Be as detailed as you like...**
- 2. Pray Galatians 2:20 as though Paul's words are your own. Allow them to digest within you until you speak them from your inner being. Meditate for a few minutes on how your self-identity would shift if the full measure of your oneness with God were to be the only label you carry.**
- 3. Read Galatians 3:26-29 out loud to yourself. Follow it by taking a few minutes to journal a few additional constructed categories; some that are relevant to your life. What other distinctions might dissolve in the presence of God?**
- 4. If you're feeling bold: Take a few minutes to look deeply into the eyes of someone you might otherwise be tempted to see as "other." What do you see? How can you find union with that person within our shared human experience?**

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The Limitation of Categories

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.

~ Matthew 2:1-3

When Walls Collapse

1. Eventually, who we _____ has to _____ to make room for _____.

(Matthew 2:1-3, Ephesians 2:14, Colossians 2:20, 3:3)

2. The Magi from the Outside are...

(Deuteronomy 7:1-26, Daniel 2:48, Matthew 2:1-3)

3. Distinctions Can't Survive the _____ of the

_____ of _____.

(Matthew 2:1-3, Galatians 2:20)

4. Distinctions Can't Survive the _____ of who _____ in _____.

(Matthew 27:51, Galatians 3:26-29, Colossians 3:3)