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Go Deep
The Parables of Dr. Seuss
On Beyond Zebra
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What other languages do you know? How well do you know them?

Dr. Seuss's "On Beyond Zebra" is about a character whose alphabet goes beyond "Z" allowing him to experience and discover things the 26-letter alphabet does not allow.

In 1888, Astronomer Simon Newcomb said, "We are probably nearing the limit of all we can know about astronomy."

How have we been like Simon Newcomb when it comes to God and spiritual things?

In 1968, Robert Kennedy asked this question: "But suppose God is black? What if we go to Heaven and we, all our lives, have treated the Negro as an inferior, and God is there, and we loop up and He is not white? What then is our response?"

Where did we get the idea that God is an old white man who is kind of pe'od at us?

Read Exodus 3:14

What name did God use as identification?

The phrase can also be translated, "I will be what I will be."

What message does that name give us about God? About God's form?

Read John 3:8

How does Jesus describe the activity of the wind? With what does Jesus compare the wind? (In fact, the two words are the same in Greek).

Read John 4:24

How does Jesus describe the nature of God? What does that word tell us about the form of God? The gender of God? The nationality of God? The race of God?

Read John 1:1,14

What does John say in verse 1 to describe the "word"? What words does he use to describe the "word"?

What does John say in verse 14 happened to the "word"? What did it "become"?

If the "word" can become Jesus, what else can the "word" become?

Does that question bother, offend, scare, intrigue, excite you?

If the "logos" existed before Jesus and can become "what I will be" what does that say about the presence and form of God? How does that encourage us?