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## Gate to the Lord: Symbolic Language of East-European Synagogue Art

**Pre-course task** (no written work is demanded, just be ready for a discussion in class, in Ukrainian or Russian):

**Медведи часто упоминаются в славянском фольклоре. Каким, по вашему мнению, представляют характер медведя сказки и песни? Видели ли вы изображения медведей в православном искусстве (на иконах, в росписях церквей?)**

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