

Part of an angel's job is to monitor the activities of physical beings, guarding, cataloguing, and keeping track of and ministering<sup>1</sup> to their souls. Teaching us how to accomplish this and other responsibilities is the task of archangels who act as mentors. My name is Barakiel, which means "Blessed by God", and I am known on earth by some as the angel of lightning<sup>2</sup>. But I am still only a student.

In learning about humans, I found it interesting to review the development of their science as they struggled to understand the universe they lived in. It was almost humorous to see the simplicity of counting, for instance, that was built on numbering the fingers of their hands. But from this rudimentary concept, they built up higher mathematical systems to describe the basic dynamics of motion up to extremely large velocities as well as the uncertainty of the activity of very small particles and the correlation between space and time.

There is such a contrast between this and the mathematics of God. The humans related their own body functions to God, such as using His "finger" to write on stone<sup>3</sup>, even though He is so much more complex than that. I viewed God as counting in the most complicated equations of the universes that He creates, rather than the simple counting of individual entities. Man ultimately developed complex calculating machines based simply on ones and zeroes, but I considered a God who counts in various levels of infinities<sup>4</sup> and dimensions that yield a variety of high-order universes.

In my angel mind I could see the swirling of these universes from God's fingertips as they spin off in different directions, moving out in glittering iridescence; each a different overlay of physical worlds over a vast spiritual infrastructure. And I could see His Great Love for them all!

1. Hebrews 1:14
2. from Wikipedia
3. Exodus 31:18 and Deuteronomy 9:10
4. see the work of Georg Cantor