Theo Rising

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Athens!
Wake up!
How can you sleep at a time like this?
I’ve created space in my closet for us to make a new universe!
It’s simple to make a universe, once you know the secret ingredient.
Do you want to know what it is?
Okay!
To make a universe, all you need is a little of the most real thing there is. Everything else comes from that.
The only question we have to answer is “What is the most real thing there is?”
Chapter Nine

Aha! Have we at last arrived at numbers?

There’s another choice? How could it be better?
I want to take you on a journey—
not of the body, but of the mind.
I want to introduce you to the eternal realm.

And I can see it in my mind?

That's the only place you can see it. Just close your eyes and picture the number 1.
Now picture the number 2 just above it.

Okay.

Now the number 3 just above 2.

Should I keep on going?

Yes.
Um, excuse me? When can I stop?

Stop? Why stop? The number line never stops. Numbers are the only things that go on without beginning or end.

Not even the sun will last forever?

Not even the sun.
My fellow vines have sung the praises of earth, water, air, and fire. But numbers measure and define all of those things. While they all change and eventually disappear, the numbers that measure them never change or disappear. One will always be one. And one plus one will always be two. And so on for every math problem there is.
But I only do math in school.

Not so! We use numbers to know when it’s lunchtime or how to get to the zoo. Without numbers there would be no time; there would be no distance. Numbers are the structure of everything. Clearly they are the realest thing there is.