WORKSHEET #6: Deuteronomy 5

Carefully read Exodus 19-24 and Deuteronomy 4:44-11:32, at one sitting.

1. In ca. ½ page, answer the following questions. (4 pts)
   a. What is the relationship between Exod. 20:1-17 and what follows it (20:18-24:18)?
   b. What is the relationship between Deut. 5:1-21 and what follows it (5:22-11:32)?

   2. a. List the major differences between the two versions of the Decalogue. Be as specific as you can here. (8 pts)
   b. How do you account for these differences? Why are both versions preserved in the OT? (2 pts)
   c. Can you harmonize Exod. 20:11 with Deut. 5:15? Explain. (2 pts)

3. In a one-page reflective essay, suggest some proper contemporary applications for one of the following: Deut 5:12-15 (on the Sabbath) or Deut 5:21 (on coveting). In your work, think specifically of a group with which you are associated (e.g., church congregation, youth group, Bible study group, Sunday School class, neighborhood friendships, your own immediate or extended family) and formulate your answer with this group’s real-life situation in mind. In other words, how would you challenge this group to think Biblically about applying this commandment? (4 pts)

Extra Credit (optional, after 1-3 are completed):

4. Compare Exod. 20:17 and Deut. 5:21. Is there any shade of difference between covet (hmd) (Exod. 20:17; Deut. 5:21) and desire (‘wh) (Deut. 5:21)? Explain your answer, consulting the New International Dictionary of Old Testament Theology and Exegesis and one other source (technical commentary, Bible dictionary, word book, etc.) in formulating your answer. (6 pts)