WORKSHEET # 3: Nehemiah 5

Carefully read Nehemiah 5 six times, in at least three different Bible versions. Please indicate which versions you read.

(1) Outline the passage in detail, down to the fourth level (i.e., I….A….I….a….). Remember that in any outline, there must always be at least two points per level. Give inclusive verse numbers for each heading (e.g., 5:1-2; 5:3; 5:4-5; etc.). Give careful thought to the outline headings, and to the flow of thought between each section as well as within each section. (7 pts)

(2) On the basis of your work in (1), write a one-sentence statement of theme for the entire passage. This statement must reflect the statements in your outline, i.e., the theme must be derived directly from the work done in (1). (3 pts)

(3) Write down at least five principles of godly leadership derived from this passage. For each principle, write a short paragraph showing how this principle is derived legitimately from this passage (with supporting references). Here, too (as in Worksheet 2), be creative, be careful, and be faithful to the text, to the God of the text, and to the contemporary situation. Enjoy! (10 pts)