Choose one of the two topics below and write an essay which synthesizes the basic ideas of the specified portion of the assigned reading. Reflect upon how these ideas accurately describe or are very different from your own reasoning and experiences.

Topic #1: In the Russian Monk, by Dostoevsky, Zinovy’s older brother, Markel, dies as a teenager. Describe the circumstances of the death and the apparent transformation which precedes his death. How would you explain this change of character?

Topic #2: In his youth, the Elder Zosima participates in a duel. Describe the circumstances of the duel and the way in which the event changes the young man. How would you attempt to explain the transformation of his personality?

Your paper should be one page long, single spaced with a font size of 12. Margins should be 1” on each side, top and bottom. Please do not include a title block or reiteration of the question at the top of the paper. Simply begin your discussion or essay on the first line. You are expected to proofread and spell check your paper before turning it in.

Please hand write the word “pledged” in the bottom right corner of the page to signify that the essay you are submitting is consistent with the Honor Code.
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Due Friday, October 1

Writing Assignment

Topic #1: Referring to specific passages in the text, discuss the similarities between the journeys depicted in the Odyssey and Exodus.

Topic #2: Referring to specific passages in the text, discuss the differences between the journeys depicted in the Odyssey and Exodus.

Topic #3: Referring to specific passages in the text, compare and contrast Odysseus and Moses as heroes.

Your paper should be double spaced with a minimum font size of 12. Spell check your paper before turning it in and be sure to staple it in the upper left hand corner.