

# Black Belt EXCELLENCE

## September Theme: Stewardship



### Memory Verse:

Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much.

Luke 16:10a

Stewardship means taking care of what you have because it all belongs to God. **Remember, everything belongs to God.** God cares about the little things and God cares about the big things. Taking care of what belongs to God takes practice, just like practicing karate or another sport and when you show you can be trusted with little, you are showing God you are ready to be trusted with something very large too, like a black belt in karate. It is important to treat everything like it belongs to God, no matter how big or small it is!"

Everything belongs to God—even our time. It is always a wise choice to **use your time wisely** and to avoid wasting time. When you waste time, there are often consequences. God gave us enough hours in a day to accomplish what He wants us to get done. The important thing is to think about how we can best use the time God has given us. You matter to God, and how you use your time matters to God. Using your time wisely is a great way to show God you value the time He has given you.

It doesn't matter what you have been given; what matters is what you do with what you have been given. God has blessed you with things, and just like the people in Jesus' story, you should **use your things wisely** and not be afraid to use what God has given you. **USE IT or LOSE IT!**

Remember that everything, including your money, belongs to God. When you receive money, the wise choice is to divide the money 3 ways. First, decide how much money you will give cheerfully to help someone else. Second, decide how much you will save. And the rest of the money you have left to be spent on things you want. As you earn money, don't rush off and spend it all right away, remember to **use your money wisely**.

God has a lot to say about how to **live like you know what really matters**. Each of you matters to God and He wants you to live a life that matters. You look for ways to use your things, your time, and your money to show others how much God loves you and how much God loves everyone. When you **live like you know what really matters** you enjoy and take care of what you have, knowing that everything you have belongs to God. Only what is done for Christ will last!

This month my son/daughter or student has demonstrated both at home and at school those qualities of responsibility required by our school for students seeking to earn the *Black Belt Excellence Stripe*.

**First Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Signed by Instructor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Due before Sept 25**

#### 6 Requirements of the Stripe of Excellence

- ◆ Black Belt Excellence behavior at home
- ◆ Black Belt Excellence behavior and passing grades at school
- ◆ Overall performance and attendance at the karate school
- ◆ Completion of the monthly Black Belt Excellence activity sheet and assignment
- ◆ Returning the Black Belt Excellence sheet when due
- ◆ Returning the Excellence sheet on time, qualifies you for student of the month and belt testing

Return your BBE Sheet to an instructor at the beginning of class to receive your black stripe

# Due by Sept 25th

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

What does Stewardship Mean? \_\_\_\_\_

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Write the Memory Verse \_\_\_\_\_

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What belongs to God? 1. E \_\_\_\_\_

2. Our \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Our \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Our \_\_\_\_\_

When you are at a park and you see trash on the ground, what should you do?

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How did you use your time wisely last week?

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What are 3 ways to divide up your money?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

If you received money last week, how did you use it wisely? \_\_\_\_\_

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Think of something God has given you to take care of . What is it? \_\_\_\_\_

How can you use it to make a difference? \_\_\_\_\_

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*Live like everything belongs to God; take care of everything you have because it belongs to God.*

