

Hog Trouble

The feral hog problem continues to plague our farms and rural communities. Latest estimates put the population at 6 million nationwide and rapidly expanding. When considering wild hogs, they are a lot like sin...

- Hogs multiply quickly. With the right conditions and adequate food supply, hog populations can double in 4 months. Sin, when not checked, will multiply and morph into more and greater sin. Much like addiction, it may start small and infrequent, but soon turns into a daily habit.
- Hogs are nocturnal and mostly active at night. Sin loves the darkness. Jesus said, *"Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."* (John 3:19)
- Hogs run in packs. Feral hogs tend to run in groups of up to 20 members causing much harm. Sin loves company. It is easy to justify sinful behavior when everyone is doing it. However, long ago God's law stated, *"You shall not follow a crowd to do evil."* (Exodus 23:2)
- Hogs are destructive. In their search for food, hogs can literally destroy yards and farm land. Sin is a destroyer of all things good and will cause one's soul to be lost in hell. (Revelation 21:8)

They say that feral hogs are well established and because of their hardiness are here to stay. Multiple control methods have been tried, yet the wild hog continues to thrive. Sadly, sin continues to thrive within the lives of people. However, unlike the hog problem, God has supplied the cure for sin through the innocent sacrifice and precious blood of Jesus Christ! (1 Peter 1:17-21)

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