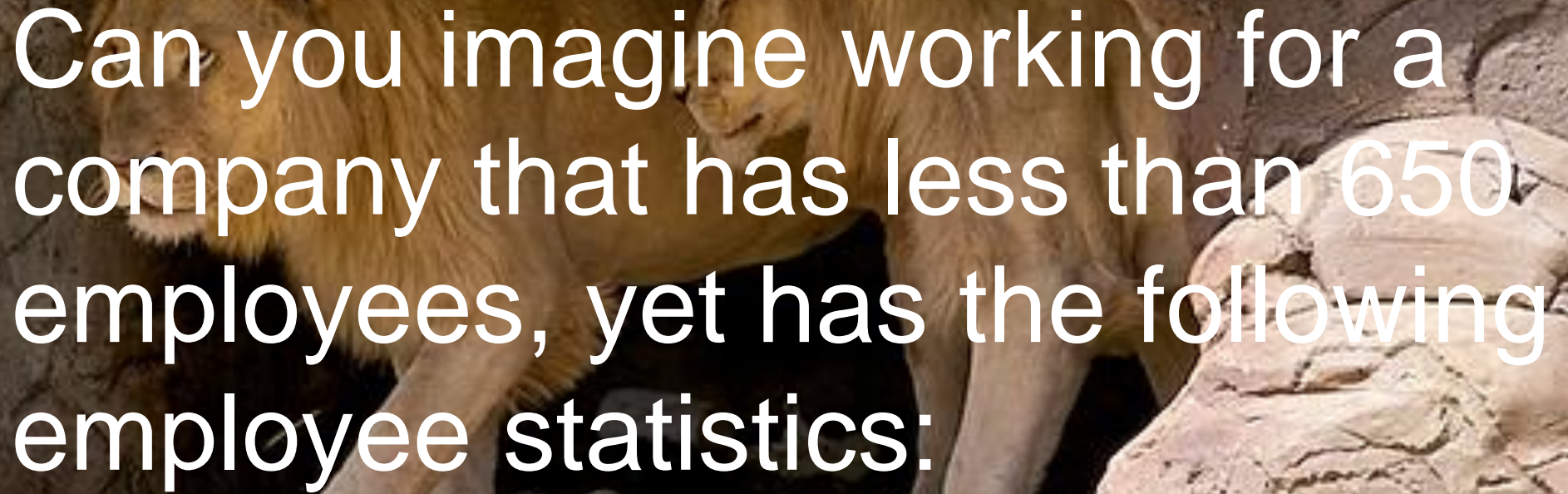


A photograph of two lions in a rocky enclosure. One lion is on the left, facing left, and the other is on the right, facing right. They are standing on a rocky surface. The background is a dark, rocky wall.

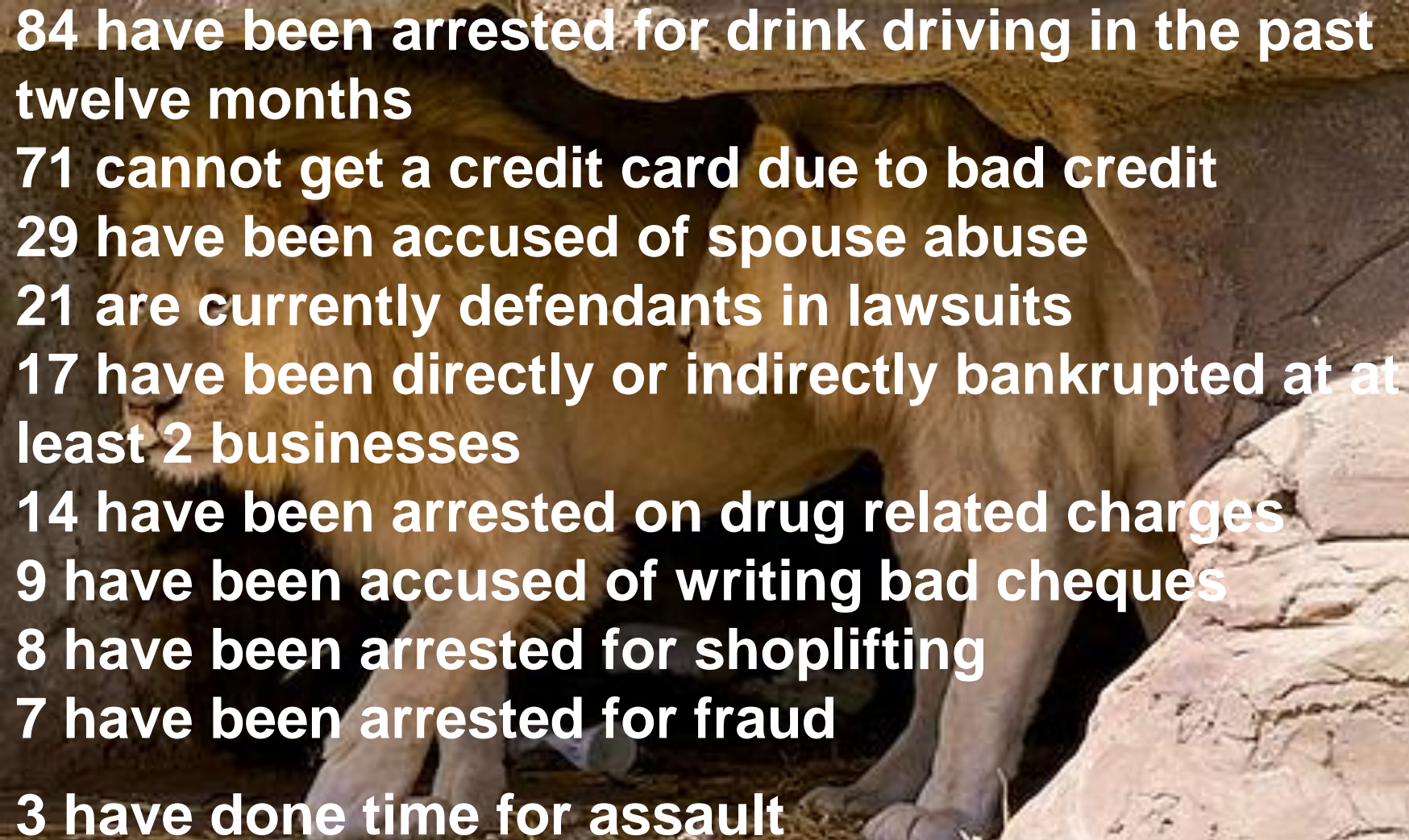
Faith under Fire

Daniel chapter 6

Page 890 in the church bibles

A photograph of two lions in a rocky enclosure. The lions are standing on a bed of straw. The text is overlaid on the image in white, bold font.

Can you imagine working for a company that has less than 650 employees, yet has the following employee statistics:

A photograph of a lion in a rocky enclosure. The lion is the central focus, standing and looking towards the left. The background consists of large, reddish-brown rocks. Overlaid on the image is a list of statistics in white, bold, sans-serif font. The text is arranged in a vertical list on the left side of the image, with each line starting with a number. The background image is slightly blurred to make the text stand out.

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A photograph of two male lions in a rocky enclosure. The lion on the left is looking towards the left, while the lion on the right is looking towards the left. The background consists of large, light-colored rocks and a dark shadowed area.

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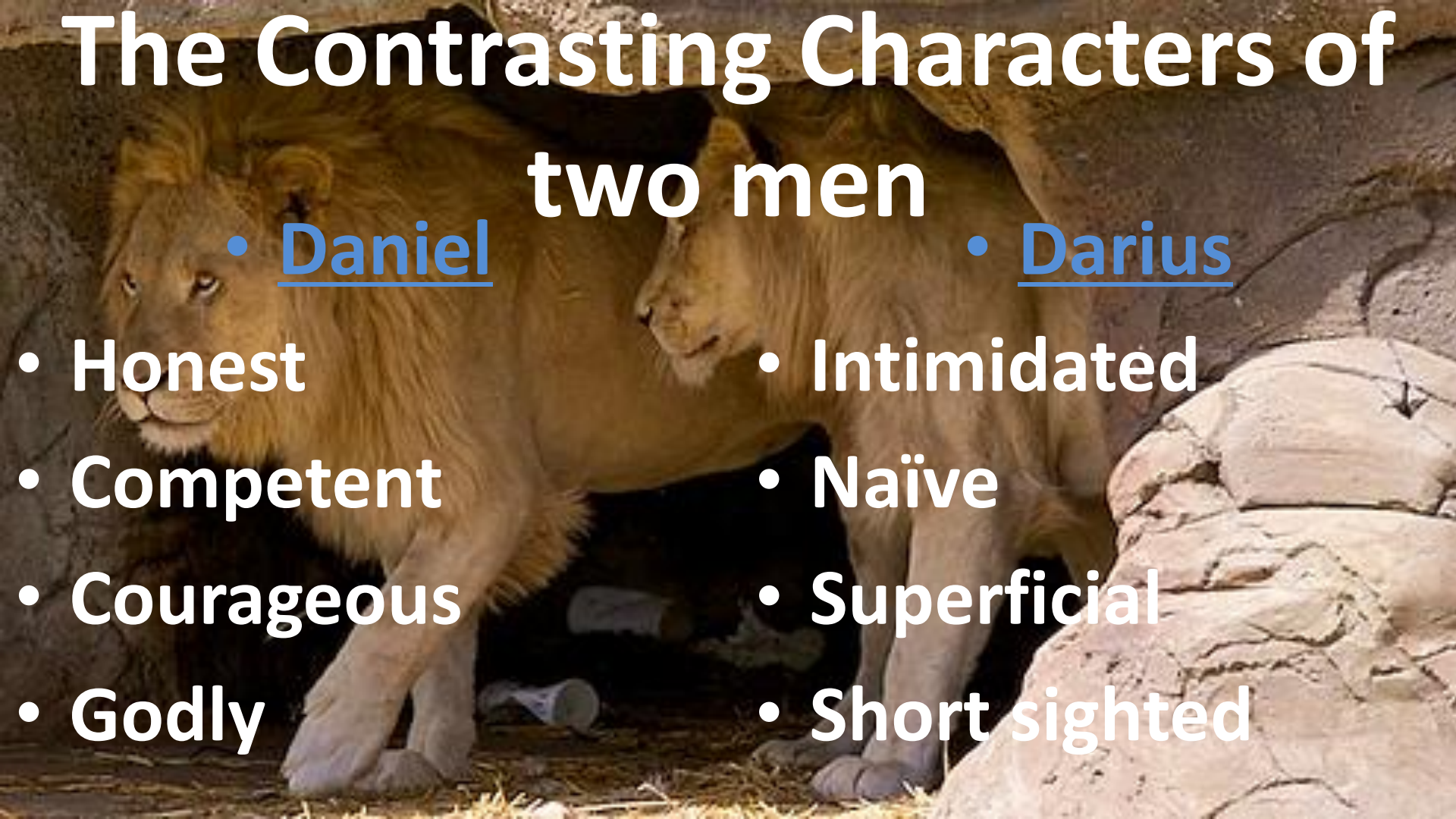
The Contrasting Characters of two men

• Daniel

• Darius

- Honest
- Competent
- Courageous
- Godly

- Intimidated
- Naïve
- Superficial
- Short sighted



The Contrasting Power of two Kingdoms

• Medes/Persians

• God

- No workable plan
- No power to deliver even 1 man
- History
- Purposes - short term
- Plan from eternity
- “Power to save-salvation for all”
- Living
- Purposes - eternal

The current challenges for each of us

A photograph of two lions in a rocky enclosure. One lion is in the foreground, looking to the left, while another is partially visible behind it. The background consists of dark, textured rock walls and a large, light-colored rock formation on the right side.

- My priorities
- My praying
- My perspective
- My practices