

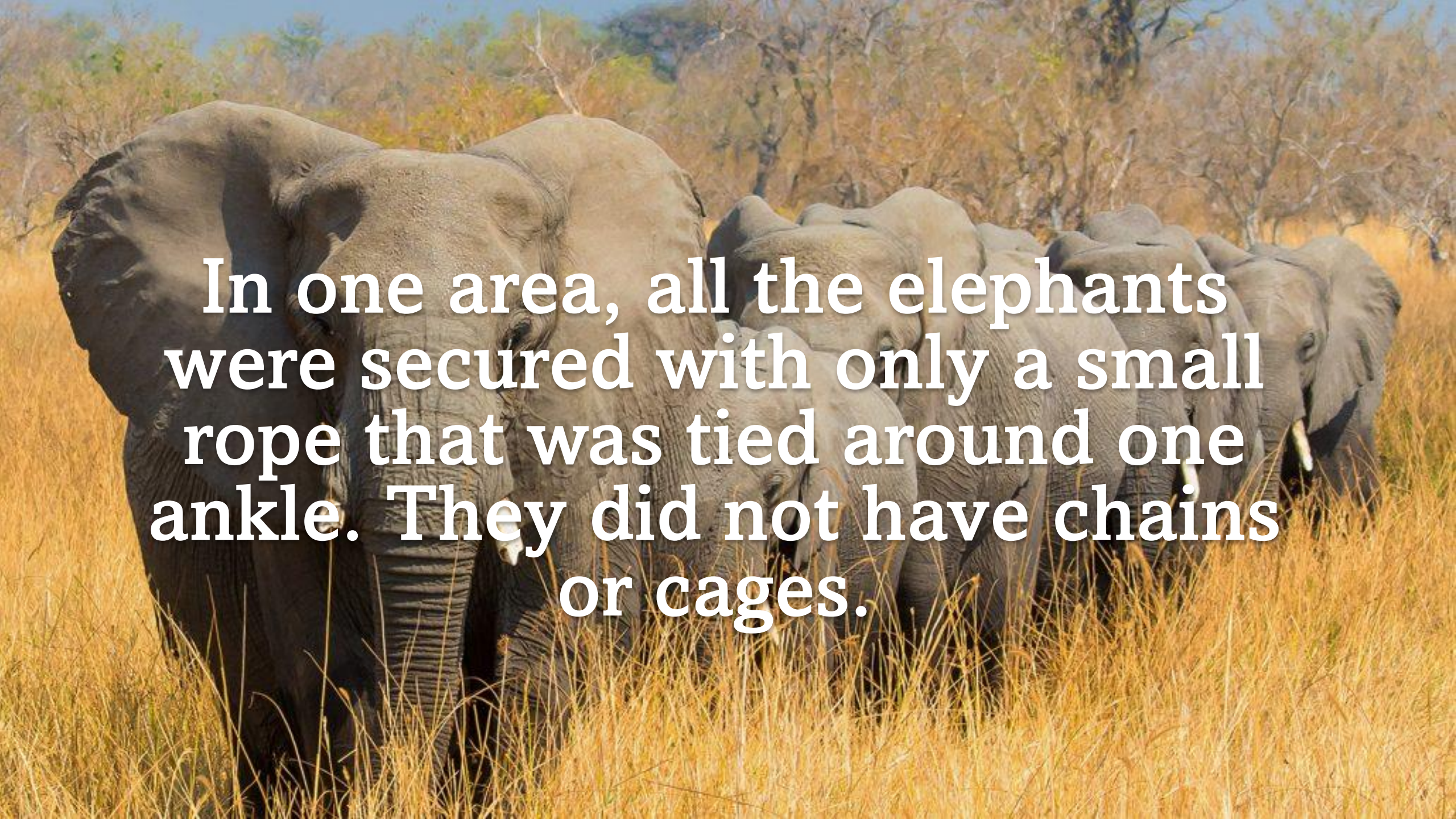


# Parables of Leadership-3

**Once upon a time, a man was walking through the grounds of a circus, and he noticed something interesting.**

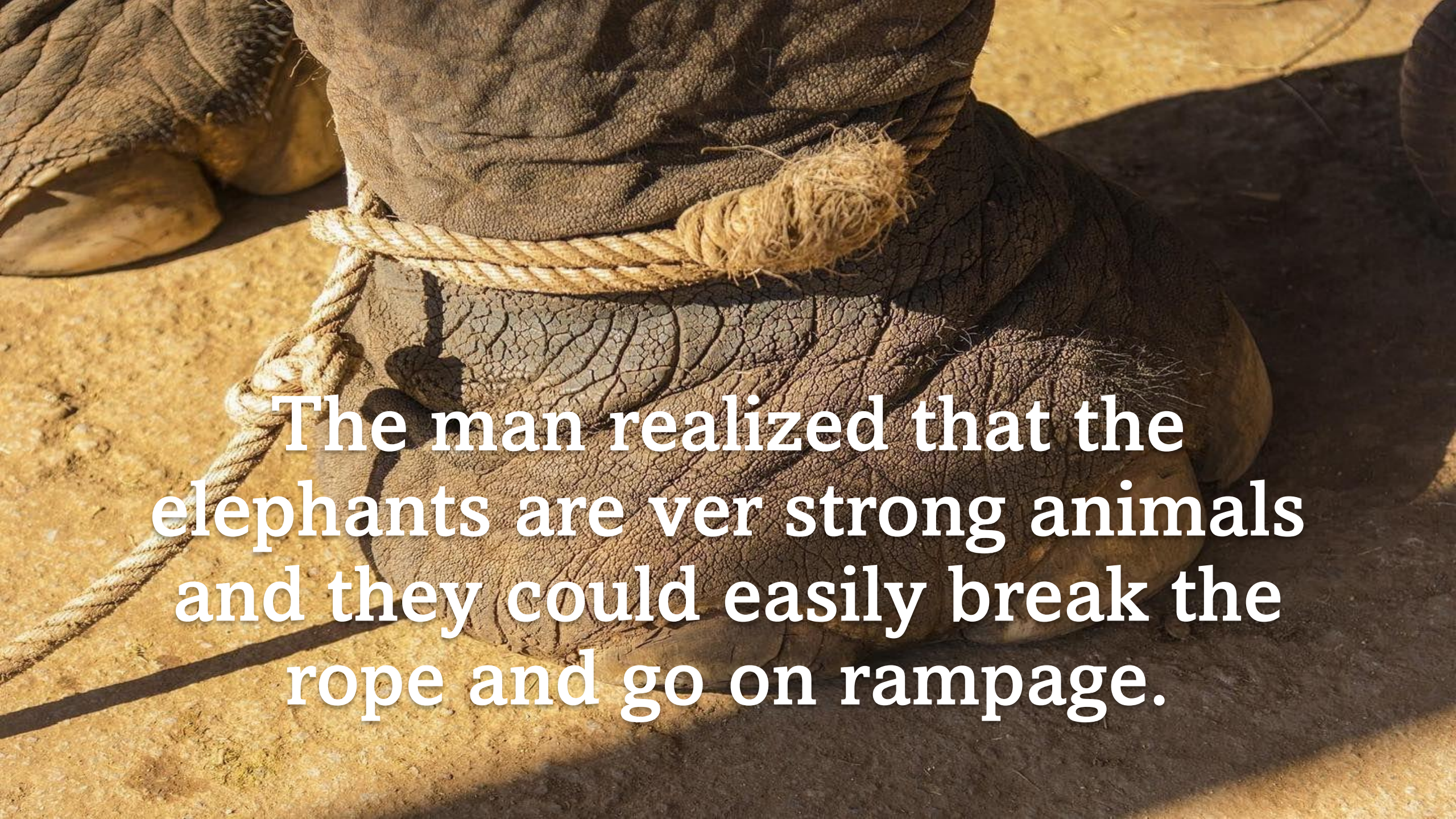




A photograph of a herd of elephants in a savanna. The elephants are standing in a line, facing right. The background consists of dry, yellowish-brown trees and tall grass. The text is overlaid in white, bold font.

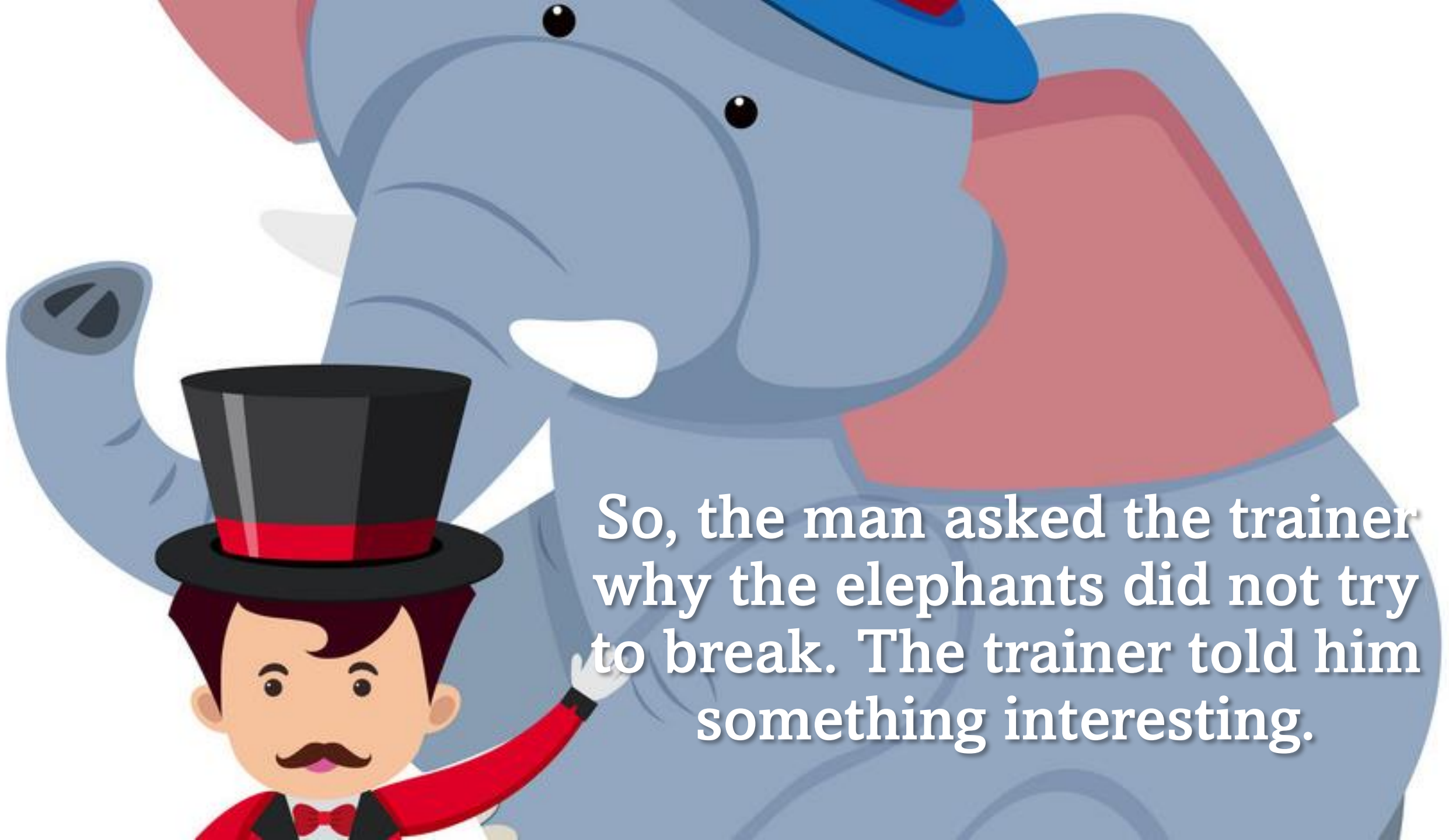
**In one area, all the elephants were secured with only a small rope that was tied around one ankle. They did not have chains or cages.**



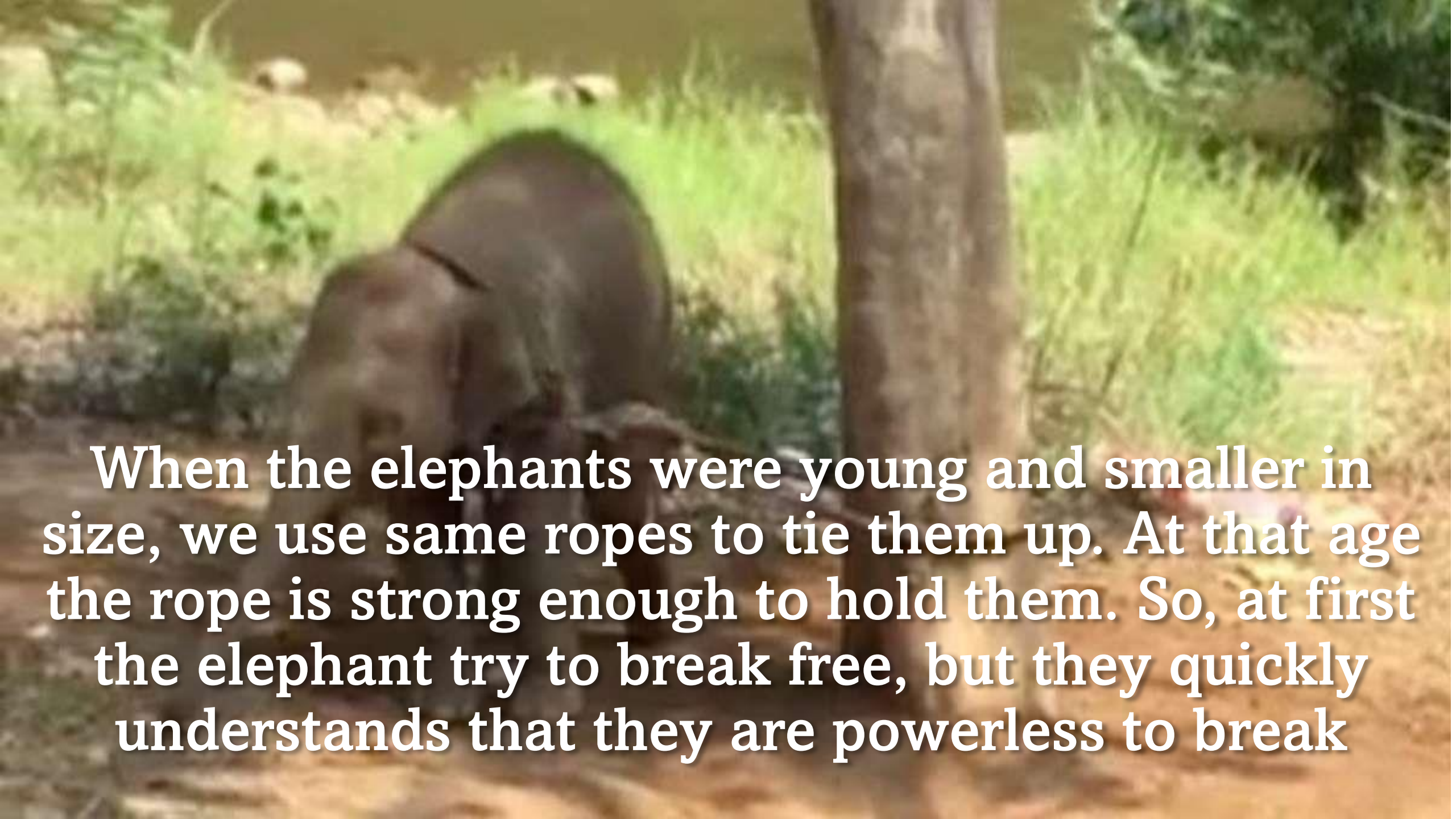
A close-up photograph of an elephant's leg, showing its thick, wrinkled, brown skin. A thick, light-colored rope is wrapped around the leg in several loops. The rope is tied in a knot on the left side. The background is a sandy, light-brown ground. The lighting is bright, casting shadows on the ground.

**The man realized that the elephants are ver strong animals and they could easily break the rope and go on rampage.**






So, the man asked the trainer why the elephants did not try to break. The trainer told him something interesting.

A young elephant is shown from the side, its body and trunk tied to a thick tree trunk with a rope. The elephant is in a natural, outdoor setting with green grass and trees in the background. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

**When the elephants were young and smaller in size, we use same ropes to tie them up. At that age the rope is strong enough to hold them. So, at first the elephant try to break free, but they quickly understands that they are powerless to break**





**Eventually, they are conditioned to believe that it is impossible to break free from rope and when they grow as adult, they still think that they cannot break the rope. So, they do not try to break.**

**Moral of the story.**

**If we are living in a fixed mind set, if we go through life thinking that we cannot do something, just because we have failed it doing in the past.**

**Instead, it is good to develop a “Growth mind” set.**

**DO NOT GIVE UP**



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