The King of Christmas

The Son of David

Introduction - Lord of the Rings

All that is gold does not glitter,
Not all those who wander are lost;
The old that is strong does not wither,
Deep roots are not reached by the frost.
From the ashes a fire shall be woken,
A light from the shadows shall spring;
Renewed shall be blade that was broken,
The crownless again shall be king

Matthew 12:42 (ESV) ... and behold, something greater than Solomon is here.

JESUS CHRIST IS THE ULTIMATE KING BECAUSE HE ETERNALLY GOVERNS AND GUARDS HIS PEOPLE.

1. The Promise - A great and mighty King from Abraham's offspring is promised.

Genesis 49:8-10 (ESV)

- "your brothers shall praise you ... your father's sons shall bow down before you" foremost of Abraham's offspring
- "and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples." conduit for Abraham's blessing to the
- "The scepter shall not depart from Judah"
 - o scepter = authority to rule
 - scepter = power to protect (Numbers 24:17)
- 2. The Precursor Solomon is a great and mighty king who governs and guards his people.

Precursor - a person that goes before and indicates the approach of someone else

2 Samuel 7:12-14

- "I will establish his kingdom"
- "He will build a house for my name"
- "I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever
- Could this be Solomon?

Solomon is David's son

Solomon's kingdom is established

- Solomon governs 1 Chronicles 29:23-25 (ESV)
- Solomon guards 1 King 4:20-25 (ESV)

Solomon's guarding and governing is **not** eternal.

• 1 Kings 11:14-26 (ESV)

He is a son of David, but he is not the son of David. Why?

- He could guard and govern the people, but he could not govern and guard his own heart 1 Kings 11:1-9 (ESV)
- He could not guard and govern the people's hearts 1 Kings 3:16-28 (ESV)
- 3. Prototype Jesus is the true and better son of David, the king who eternally governs and guards his people.

Prototype - the original on which something is formed

Matthew 12:42 - Jesus is the greater Solomon

Luke 1:30-33 - Jesus is the great king whose throne is forever

Heidelberg Catechism - Question 31

Q. Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

Jesus governs and guards eternally primarily because he governs and guards internally.

- Jesus governs us internally by his Word and by his Spirit
- Jesus guards us eternally John 10:28-29 (ESV)

Jesus is the true and better son of David promised throughout the Old Testament. He can govern and guard us eternally because he governs and guards us internally. He is the Ultimate King!