Himself says it. That is about the most satisfactory evidence we have in the Word of God. Jesus Christ distinctly says that He is coming back again. He knows the mind of the living God about it. Turn to John 14: 3, "And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." "If I go." Well, He's gone. "I will come." Can we say, " It will come again "? I don't think that will stand here, will it? Now this is a literal personal coming as opposed to a spiritual coming. The Lord is spiritually with His people day in and day out. "Lo I am with you alway, even to the end of the age." John 14: 3, is taken so often at funerals to mean the coming of the Lord at death. There is not a bit of sense in it. That verse has no connection with death. There are certain things in connection with His coming, namely, "the trump of God," "the voice of the arch-angel." I have been at many a death-bed scene, where the 14th chapter of John would be read by some, but I never heard any of these accompaniments at the death-bed of the dying saint. "He will come and receive you unto HIMSELF." "Not 'It will come and receive you to itself,' or, "A spirit will come and you will be caught up in the Spirit of Christ." The last chapter of John, 21st verse, in answer to the question of Peter, who said, "Lord, what shall this man do?" Jesus said, "If I will that this man tarry till I come." Some say this refers to the coming of the Lord at the destruction of Jerusalem. That shows how we can pervert Scripture from its meaning. Thus we have Christ's own testimony.

Why is it that so few people seem to see the simple truth as it is taught here. I suppose it is because they have so much learning. Moses had forty years in Egypt, and God wanted him after forty years in the wilderness to go back to Egypt, and he didnt want to. He knew too much about Egypt to go back. He said, don't send me. His learning stood in the way of his going in obedience to the Word of God. Just the same it seems with regard to the simple truth that the Lord Himself is coming back again, Again in the Acts of Apostles 3: 19-21, we read "When the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord, and He shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you, whom the heavens must receive until the times of restitution of all things which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began." So God says, He has got to come back again. God has a work for Him yet to do. So you have God the Father's testimony that He is to come back again, the same Christ.

Now take the testimony of the Holy Spirit, speaking through many generations. Go back to the book of Numbers where He speaks by the mouth of Balaam. Num. 24: 16-19. "And Israel shall do valiantly." Israel has never done that yet. It must refer to a future time. The time for it is by-and-bye.

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