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Jesus Christ asked the women, who saw him three days and nights after his resurrection, to remind the eleven disciples they needed to meet with him in Galilee as he instructed prior to his death (cf. Mt. 26:32),

Then Jesus said to them (the women), 'Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see me' (Mt. 28:10; Ed. note in parenthesis; NKJV used throughout unless otherwise noted).

Prior to his death, Christ was very specific regarding where his disciples were to meet in Galilee,

Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, **to the mountain which Jesus had appointed** for them (Mt. 28:16; emphasis added).

Beginning with their arrival at this pre-appointed location, Christ began to teach them many things over a period of forty days (Lk. 24:44-48; cf. Jn. 21:25),

The former account I (Luke) made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,² until the day in which he was taken up (ascended to his Father), after he through the holy spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom he had chosen,³ to whom he also presented himself alive after his suffering by many infallible (unmistakable) proofs, **being seen by them during forty days** and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God (Ac. 1:1-3; Ed. notes in parentheses; emphasis added).

At the end of forty days, Christ told his disciples to wait in Jerusalem until the Day of Pentecost was finished (cf. Ac. 2:1),

Behold, I (will) send the promise of my Father (holy spirit) upon you; but tarry (wait) in the city (of Jerusalem) until you are endued with power from on high (Lk. 24:49; Ed. notes in parentheses).

After this final instruction, Christ ascended to his Father in heaven,

And he (Christ) led them out as far as Bethany, and he lifted up his hands and blessed them.⁵¹ Now it came to pass, while he blessed them, that he was parted from them and carried up into

heaven (Lk. 24:50-52; cf. Ac. 1:4-9).

By correctly examining all the scriptures, related to Christ teaching his disciples after his death, it is clear he did not command them to wait in Jerusalem immediately following his resurrection. Instead, Christ gave them this specific instruction forty days after his resurrection from the dead. Therefore, there is no contradiction in scripture.

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