## 16-MAR-2021\_ steps of obedience equal true progress

(Jesus speaking: ) Treasure, you are a box of treasures. What do you want in your box of goodness gathered from your life? Just clay and stubble? Are these things of worth? These are abundant and easy to gather. No, I think you want rich treasure such as comes only from afar, from going the distance—as the Queen of the South went the distance to gather the wisdom from the King. And it cost her much, for she brought much from her land, supplies she gave freely in honour and respect to the king. An exchange of gifts it ended up being.

Take the long walk through the desert lands to gather that which is rare and lovely, though it cost you much to get it. The treasure in the box of your life will be a rich and lovely one, worth far more than gold.

What steps have you taken for Me today? In what have you yielded, said yes to? Only steps of obedience equal true progress. And it's the steps one after the other that take you a distance. This is your journey, walking on and on in steps of faithful obedience. Unless you are obeying, you aren't traveling. Keep at it, and the treasure will be given to you.

It's not about the condition you show up in My arms, how weary, dirty, unvarnished you are, and seemingly unloved or a cast out with ripped rags for coverings. All that will be replaced and washed and restored. But did you get the treasures you were meant to get? Or is your box rather empty, while your shoes are still looking a bit too shiny from lack of use? I don't want to see shiny shoes— someone who has had a comfortable life because they "preached not the gospel". What did you bring home? Who did you bring? What lessons did you gather from your experience that can improve your station and useability in the next grade level?

Don't show up a popper with a nicely cut hairdo and fine new coat—a good image in the world of men.

Did you learn what I had for you, or did you throw away your time on things that really won't matter. Or rather they WILL matter, and it will cost you if you spent time and pride on holding on to things that make you show up with a mostly empty box of treasures.

Did you listen to My voice today? Did you listen to a clue of where to find a goodie that I hid just for you, so you would find it?

The things I give you from Heaven are the riches. I don't just hand them to you, but make you do some asking, seeking and knocking. And a bit of learning as well. A bit of journeying to get them—journeying through life and experience things that make you see how very much you do need Me. This makes you hungry for more treasures. And the hungry do receive. They receive treasures now, and they receive a reward in the end when I see what they gathered and brought home.