Mark: Cleansing the Moral Poison of Society (Part 1) Jesus the Messiah Comes on the Scene

God is working his purposes out in his creation.
History is not aconglomeration of disconnected events.
It is an ongoing process directed by the who sees the end in the beginning.
The gospel of Mark is written in ato a primary Gentile audience.
Mark was not an original disciple of Jesus.
He was the nephew of Barnabas and a ministry partner of both and
The gospel of Mark is athrough the adult life and ministry of Jesus.
(Mark 1:1a) The story of Jesus is the "Good News."
(Mark 1:1b-3) The story began many years before Jesus came on the scene.
Prophets (Isaiah and Malachi) foretold how God's plan would unfold.
Jesus (Messiah) would bringto the world.
The worship of God was totally, and unbelief was more rampant than ever in history.
(4:4-8) John the Baptizer's ministry was the transitional precursor of the ministry of Messiah.
(v.4-5) John preached a message of repentance and
(v.6) John was an Old Testament prophet in the ilk of(2 Kings 1:8)
(v.7-8) John's message wasand honored the coming Messiah.
(4:9-15) Baptism and temptation of Jesus and the imprisonment of John.
(v.9-11) Jesus confirmed as "the" incarnate son of God and Messiah.
(v.12-13) 40 days offor ministry.
(v.14) About a year later, John is arrested.
(v.15) Jesus begins to preach the same message as John, "Repent and believe."
(v.16-20) Jesus begins to gather followers/disciples.
Peter and Andrew leave theirto follow Jesus.
James and John leave theto follow Jesus.