

# **LONG ROAD BACK TO KENTUCKY**

## **THE 1862 CONFEDERATE INVASION**

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## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

Explores the crucial events of the Civil War west of the Appalachian Mountains from 1861 through to the Confederate invasion of Kentucky in the fall of 1862.

This award-winning program covers the collapse of the Confederate defenses in Kentucky in the Winter of 1862, the Battle of Shiloh and the movement of General Bragg's Confederate Army from Tupelo to Chattanooga.

It chronicles the advance of Bragg's and General Kirby Smith's Armies into Kentucky and the interdiction of what had become a full fledged Confederate invasion of the State by General Buell's Union Army.

Lavishly illustrated with period photography, reenactments, animated battle maps and rare works of art, this documentary takes you onto the battlefields of Richmond, Munfordsville and Perryville.

## **DISCUSSION TOPICS/QUESTIONS:**

1. What was the military situation in the Western theatre (west of the Appalachian Mountains and east of the Mississippi River) after the Battle of Shiloh?
2. How did General Braxton Bragg move his Confederate army from Tupelo, Mississippi to Chattanooga, Tennessee in order to invade Kentucky?
3. How did Confederate armies west of the Appalachian Mountains communicate with the Confederate government in Richmond, Virginia?
4. Why was General Edmund Kirby Smith's army located at Knoxville, Tennessee?
5. Describe how Generals Smith's and Bragg's armies entered Kentucky, and where they were situated by mid-September 1862?
6. Was the invasion of Kentucky the "high water mark" of the Confederacy by mid-September 1862? If so, or if not, why?