

## Chapter 6: The Time of Troubles Discussion Questions

1. What was the appeal (or not) of John Bell to different Tennesseans?
2. Middle Tennessee was originally 51 percent against secession, then 88 percent. Why do you think this changed?
3. Why was Tennessee last to leave the union?
4. How did the type of fighting change from the American Revolution to the Civil War? Why do you think fighting was much more brutal in the Civil War?
5. Why were Tennessee's rivers so important in the Civil War?
6. Consider the Battle of Shiloh. Although it was a Union Victory, how did it help the Confederacy?
7. Why did Confederates have high hopes in the summer of 1862 following successful raids?
8. How did the presence of the military on both sides burden Tennessee citizens?
9. Why might freedmen be wary of the future after the end of the Civil War?
10. Why do you think African Americans were so motivated to defend Nashville in the Battle of Nashville?