First we will study the pictures handed out.

Take a minute, study the picture, then discuss the picture with your group.
Spiritual Leadership in battle.
How are the Minutemen and Overmountain Men similar?

How are they and their circumstances different?
Questions

- Are the Overmountain Men the southern frontier answer to the Minute Men?

- Did the Overmountain Men at Kings Mtn. serve in the same role as the Minute Men did at Lexington and Concord?
The Battle of Kings Mountain

October 7, 1780
Patrick Ferguson

- “I will march my army over the mountain, hang their leaders, and lay their country waste with fire and sword”
Gathering at Sycamore Shoals
Sycamore Shoals
Overmountain Men & Loyalist troop movements.
Col John Sevier & Col Issac Shelby
Overmountain Men assembled in groups of around 100 and attacked from all sides.
The Overmountain Men charged up the mountain several times and ran back down taking cover among the rocks and trees. Loyalist shot over them because of the steep terrain.
Death Of Ferguson
Ferguson’s Grave Site

- “I am king of this mtn. and God Almighty and all the rebels of hell cannot drive me from it”
- In the end I guess he was correct!
Results

- Battle lasted 65 minutes, Patriot victory
- Patriot killed 29, wounded 58. Loyalist killed 244, 163 wounded, 668 taken prisoner.
- The turning point in the Revolution in the South. Boosted Patriot morale. Cornwallis evacuated Charlotte NC, retreated to Charlestown SC.