

*Into the West*

Episode 2 Scene Summaries

1. Dog Star and Running Fox argue over having rifles.
2. Running Fox moves his group to Fort William to join the whites.
3. Jacob and Thunder Heart Woman go back to Wheelerton with Margaret Light Shines to be with the Wheeler family.
4. At the dinner table the Wheeler family shows they are prejudice against Native American Indians.
5. Thunder Heart Woman gives birth to Abraham High Wolf at the Wheeler home. The women notice that she didn't cry out in pain. They say she is an animal and a heathen.
6. Jacob talks about California and Jedediah Smith.
7. Running Fox comes to the Fort to trade. He is disturbed to see the female Indian prostitutes.
8. Jacob learns Jedediah has died. He tells the story of how they survived against the Mojave attack inside the cave.
9. Jacob talks to Thunder Heart Woman about wanting to go back west. He doesn't like how his brothers and the people in Wheelerton treat her and their children.
10. Rachel, Leah and Naomi decide to go west too.
11. 1837 Lakota with bows and arrows and Crow Indians with rifles fight over a buffalo herd. They kill a Lakota warrior.
12. Running Fox decides to get rifles and trades horses for them.
13. Jacob and his family travel from Virginia to Independence, Missouri. The trip takes 3 years and they have another baby, Jacob Jr.
14. Stephen Hoxie is looking for people to join his wagon train west. Absalom Jones asks if he would take "free men of color because Illinois loves us as a race, but hate us as a people." His family wants to go west for acceptance.
15. Stephen Hoxie explains how he will be the captain of the wagon train and provide stores and cattle and help protect them against the savages.

16. Thunder Heart Woman wants to stay in Missouri but Jacob wants to continue on to California.
17. Jacob shows Stephen Hoxie his Conestoga covered wagon. Jacob and Jethro agree to go on the wagon train as a wheelwright in exchange for free passage for their family members.
18. The wagon train leaves Missouri.
19. A herd of buffalo passes the wagons and Naomi says, "They're beautiful."
20. The girls collect buffalo chips for the fires and Margaret and Marquis Jones become friends.
21. At nighttime they make a circle with the wagons for protection.
22. A pack of wolves comes near the wagons and Thunder Heart Woman says they are a bad sign. She wants to go back.
23. The golden rule of a wagon train is to follow the river.
24. Preacher Hobbes does not follow directions and tries to cross the river in a straight line instead of diagonally. His wagon turns over in the river.
25. Leah is watching the Hobbes family and falls into the water. She drowns.
26. After Leah's funeral, Naomi and Rachel want to go back to Missouri.
27. Rachel talks with Jim Ebbets about how miserable she is. Jim doesn't want her to leave the wagon train. She says, "Leah is the lucky one, she's resting now."
28. A thunderstorm comes in. The wagon train hides under the trees. When the lightning and thunder strikes, the horses and cows get scared and run away. A cow steps on Marquis Jones and kills him.
29. After the boy's funeral, Mrs. Jones doesn't want to leave his grave. Skate promises to bring her back to the grave later after they make it west.
30. At night the families dance around the campfire. Rachel and Jim take a walk and talk about getting married. Jim proposes and Rachel says yes.
31. The wagon train goes up the mountains. Rachel and Jim get married and Naomi and Skate get married.
32. Dog Star travels to another Indian camp and sees a massacre. The Crow Indians killed the Lakota tribe. Dog Star doesn't want war.

33. The travelers let the wagons down the other side of the mountain using ropes. A rope breaks and a wagon runs over Rachel. Her leg is badly broken and injured. The leg becomes infected and full of insects. They decide to amputate her leg. Preacher Hobbes performs the surgery but he doesn't use a tourniquet and Rachel dies.
34. Dog Star goes to the Medicine Wheel to pray and sees Loved By the Buffalo. He tells him about Running Fox leaving the tribe to learn white man's ways. Loved By the Buffalo says it is important to preserve the Indian ways.
35. Mrs. Jones, the African-American woman dies of cholera. Half of the wagon train has had no close contact with her and they go on ahead. The other half stays behind in quarantine. Naomi was in the front group and has to leave her relatives behind.
36. Jethro gets sick with cholera. Jacob takes him away from the others and stays with him. Jacob and Thunder Heart Woman argue. She wants him to return to the family and stay away from Jethro and the cholera. Jethro recovers.
37. Jacob rides ahead to tell the other part of the wagon train that they are coming. He sees that Indians have killed everyone in the other group. He also realizes that Naomi is missing. The Indians have kidnapped her.
38. The Cheyenne Indians attack Jacob's wagon train. They are trying to wipe out the cholera disease by killing all the whites. Jacob gets shot with an arrow and Thunder Heart Woman pulls it out of him.
39. At the Cheyenne camp Naomi is purchased for the price of "Five Horses" and this becomes her new name. On her wedding night she starts reciting nursery rhymes because she is so afraid. The Indians are fascinated and afraid of her.
40. Jacob is seriously wounded and wants to stay behind alone to die. Thunder Heart Woman and Jethro leave him with the children. He remembers when the Lakota grandparents stayed behind to die when the Indians left for the winter camp.
41. Naomi gets sick with a fever and her new husband Prairie Fire takes care of her. Prairie Fire's child dies from the illness.
42. Running Fox finds his brother-in-law Jacob almost dead. He recognizes the amulet and says Wakan Takan saved Jacob. The tribe takes care of Jacob until he is ready to travel. He trades his rifle for a horse and leaves. Snow closes the mountain pass and he can't get through to catch up with his family.
43. In 1841, Jethro and Loved By the Buffalo reach California with the children. The African-American man and his daughter also reach California.

44. An Indian man wants to trade Prairie Fire for Naomi. He offers nine horses in trade for her. Prairie Fire will not trade for horses or a sacred white buffalo skin. He says if he trades her then no one will sing for him.
45. Jacob lives alone in the wilderness.
46. Naomi Five Horses has a baby boy and they name him One Horn Bull.
47. After two years in the mountains, Jacob is going crazy. He spends a lot of time writing in his journal.
48. Naomi tells Prairie Fire that she is happy with her life and living with the Cheyenne Indians.
49. Jacob leaves the mountains and goes to California. He joins the army of Captain Fremont and fights in the war against Mexico.
50. Jacob sees Thunder Heart Woman and his brother Jethro, his children and a new baby at their home in California. He realizes that his wife is now married to his brother. He doesn't tell them who he is. He gives the amulet to Jacob Jr. and tells him it is a magic necklace.
51. Thunder Heart Woman sees the amulet and knows Jacob is alive. She is very upset.
52. The white men go hunting and kill many buffalo for sport. They leave the meat to rot. The Indians have trouble finding food.
53. The Indians trade for whisky at the fort and get drunk.
54. Thunder Heart Woman shows the amulet to Margaret Light Shines. Margaret leaves home to look for her father.
55. Running Fox sees a vision of Loved By the Buffalo and returns home to the Lakota tribe.