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After the events of September 11th, many things in life that held so much significance paled against the loss in New York City, Washington D.C., and in a field in Pennsylvania. All Americans felt they had come face to face with an incomprehensible evil, and indeed it seem to have struck at the very heart of each of us.

Events quickly unfolded all over the world. Nations reacted with horror and expressed condolences and support. At home people sought solace in family, friends, houses of worship, wherever the bonds that make us human are greatest. People all over our country expressed the ideals of democracy and fairness, and pledged that no one should be the target of harassment or abuse, simply for following another faith.

It seemed that rising out of the ashes of the vilest destruction any of us had ever seen, all that was good in the human spirit was reasserting itself. But unfortunately, even in our own midst we seem to have some who are incapable of sharing in that spirit. It feels trivial to be writing this now, but I feel a need to report that on Sunday, October 14, 2001, the Institute for Creation Research posted on its web site an article titled:

911 RANG AGAIN - A REVIEW OF THE PBS VIDEO SERIES "EVOLUTION"

Ken Cumming, a man I suppose claims to share the same faith as many of you reading this, actually compared the terrorist bombings of September 11th to the airing of the PBS series Evolution.

Cumming writes:

Both events have much in common. The public was unaware of the deliberate preparation that was schemed over the past few years to lead to these events. And while the public now understands from President Bush that "We're at War" with religious fanatics around the world, they don't have a clue that America is being attacked from within through its public schools by a militant religious movement called Darwinists.

Is the ICR truly drawing parallels between the cold blooded murder of innocents on a massive scale, and the production of a television show? To equate a television program and acts of terrorism is truly appalling.

I don't want to spend much time on this. It's really not worth much of anyone's time. But I do urge everyone to go to ICR web site and read the article at <http://www.icr.org/headlines/pbsevolution.html>.

Afterwards, draw your own conclusions. I would be interested in hearing from you.

The National Center for Science Education is a nonprofit organization, based in Oakland, California, dedicated to defending the teaching of evolution in the public schools. On the web at [www.ncseweb.org](http://www.ncseweb.org).

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