

## *“Inside Perspective with Cindy Castano”*

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### **CHRISTIAN GENOCIDE IN IRAQ**



**Join Cindy in a rare interview with special guests:**

**Ken Timmerman, Director of Middle East Data Project / 2006 Nobel Peace Prize Nominee / Best-Selling Author, and**

**Dr. Keith Roderick, Middle East Expert / Washington, DC Representative for Christian Solidarity International**

who have just returned from a mission to Amman, Jordan and Beirut, Lebanon where they met with the State Officials including Minister of Interior, Chief of Intelligence, US Ambassadors, UN High Commission of Refugees Regional Chief and hundreds of Iraqi Christian refugees. We will examine the extreme genocidal atrocities of Christians in Iraq and the abuse of refugees by government and UN officials in host countries; debate the lack of assistance from the Bush Administration and the Iraqi Government to stop the genocide and re-settle the refugees; and discuss the necessary steps the international community must take to save these ancient cultures. We will also hear the stories of the victims and learn why their communities are so critical to history and what their imminent extinction will mean to the world.

- Ancient Christian populations in Iraq dating back 2000 years are being genocided to extinction by extremist elements in Sunni insurgents, Al Qaeda, and the Shia Mahdi Army.
- 20 years ago, the Iraqi Christian population was estimated to be 1.4 million.
- Today, it is estimated 50% percent of the Christian population has fled. They are living in fear and poverty in the countries of first asylum - Syria, Jordan and Lebanon - who do not recognize them as refugees, therefore their status is irregular and they subject to arrest and possible deportation.

**Ken Timmerman: [www.kentimmerman.com](http://www.kentimmerman.com)** Best-selling author Kenneth R. Timmerman's work as an investigative reporter has won consistent praise for its accuracy and courage. He has spent his career investigating the dark side of national security. For his work in exposing the Islamic Republic of Iran's nuclear weapons program, he was nominated for the **2006 Nobel Peace Prize** by former Swedish deputy Prime Minister Per Ahlmark. His book on Iran, [Countdown to Crisis: the Coming Nuclear Showdown in Iran](#), was acclaimed by former Secretary of the Navy John Lehman, a member of the 9/11 Commission. In recent years, he has revealed how failed U.S. policies have helped create new threats to our nation from *Russia, China, and Iran*. Since 1987, Timmerman has operated Middle East Data Project, Inc., a business that has provided investigative support and policy guidance to government agencies and private companies on three continents.

**Dr. Keith Roderick: [www.csi-int.org](http://www.csi-int.org)** An Episcopal priest of the Diocese of Quincy, he is serving as the only Canon for Persecuted Christians in the Episcopal Church. He has served as Secretary General of the Coalition for the Defense of Human Rights (CDHR) since 1993 and has testified to the Senate and House of Representatives on the issue of religious freedom and human rights concerns of non-Muslim minorities

in Islamic countries. His articles on minorities in the Middle East have been published in numerous publications including *National Review* and *The American Thinker*, and is a columnist for *Africa My Dream: Africa-America International Magazine*. Dr. Roderick now serves as Christian Solidarity International's Representative in Washington, D.C. and also serves as Executive Director of the Sudan Campaign. He continues to work with leaders of the minority communities in the Middle East to promote security and equality.