

AUSTRALIAN INDEPENDENT BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

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<http://mychristiandaily.com.au/dr/australia-s-plan-to-fine-business-owners-who-disagree-with-same-sex-marriage>

AUSTRALIA'S PLAN TO FINE BUSINESS-OWNERS WHO DISAGREE WITH SAME-SEX MARRIAGE April 5, 2016 – The "...Australian Christian Lobby has expressed concern that a Shorten Labor Government will not allow protections for freedom of conscience for business owners should the definition of marriage be changed in law." Just like in the USA and Europe bakers, florists and others will be "sued for living out their sincerely held beliefs about marriage" the ACL Managing director, Lyle Shelton said.

"Mr Shelton was responding to fresh comments made by Federal Labor leader Bill Shorten, ruling out fundamental freedoms for those who oppose same-sex marriage."

However, it is not only the Labour people talking this way but "...senior Liberal minister Christopher Pyne and new Liberal MP Trent Zimmerman had echoed Mr Shorten's views ruling out protection for business owners who wished to exercise the right not to participate in weddings which violated their conscientiously held views on marriage."

Mr. Shelton remarked "Now that politicians have indicated that freedom of conscience will be curtailed under same-sex marriage, this is all the more reason to vote to preserve the definition of marriage in the up-coming plebiscite."

Now it is assumed if Shorten gets his way that most if not all those who will be paying the fines will be Christians while Muslim businesses will continue as usual without protest!

<http://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2016/mar/31/shorten-labor-wont-change-discrimination-laws-to-please-gay-marriage-opponents>

SHORTEN: LABOR WON'T CHANGE DISCRIMINATION LAWS TO PLEASE SAME-SEX MARRIAGE OPPONENTS – Yes, "Labor will oppose any attempt to extend discrimination law exemptions to allow people who object to same-sex marriage to deny goods and services to gay couples." The present "Opposition leader Bill Shorten made the pledge at Guardian Australia's marriage equality event Why Knot in Sydney on Thursday." He was "Responding to a questioner who asked him to rule out allowing bakers not to sell cakes to gay weddings, Shorten said Labor would oppose such discrimination law exemptions and repeal them at the earliest available opportunity if they passed." Shorten went on to say "It's not allowed now under the current law – why would we water down existing laws? We don't need to water down anti-discrimination law to keep some people [who oppose same-sex marriage] happy." Yes, this sin stained group of sodomites has the blessing of the Labor Party and some within the so-called conservative Liberal Party as well.

<http://www.dailyliberal.com.au/story/3838914/picnicking-for-family-equality/?cs=112>

PICNICKING FOR FAMILY EQUALITY 9/04/2016 – The sodomite agenda reaches from the Federal level to the hometown. For instance, "FAMILIES that don't automatically feel accepted and welcome in Dubbo will make history at Victoria Park on May 1." On that

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Lord’s Day these sodomites “will pack picnic baskets, grab rugs and chairs and head to the park about 11am to mark International Family Equality Day (IFED).” According to the spokesman the purpose is “to raise awareness among politicians and the general public about the need for equal treatment and recognition for all families, regardless of the sexual orientation or gender identity of members.” This event seeks to “...highlight the diversity of family structures and strengthen solidarity among families with LGBTQIA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, Intersex, Asexual) parents.” Sadly “The growing profile of Dubbo's LGBTQIA community has led to its representation on the community services committee of Dubbo City Council.” Only those who oppose God and His Word would promote events such as this.

<http://www.rainbowfamilies.com.au/rainbow-families-advocacy/> **Rainbow Families areas of Advocacy** – NOTE the sodomite “...advocacy work focuses on three key areas:

- Making families, including surrogacy, foster and adoption laws.
- Marriage equality.
- Nurturing diversity, including in schools and workplaces.”

<http://www.rainbowfamilies.com.au/stories/> - It was mid-2014 when our close friend Sascha surprised us with the amazing offer of helping us to become parents. After some serious soul searching, we accepted the offer and so began this crazy ride!”



<http://www.breakingisraelnews.com/65386/pope-calls-for-greater-acceptance-of-gays-and-lesbians-jerusalem/>? NEW VATICAN DOCUMENT CALLS FOR DRAMATIC SHIFT IN ATTITUDE TOWARDS GAYS 10/4?2016- With the Roman church rife with homosexuals it was only a matter of time. The present Pope “[Pope Francis](#)” made an official statement calling for Catholics worldwide to be more accepting of homosexuals, challenging an age-old position held by the Catholic Church, which has traditionally deeply condemned gay lifestyles and sexual activity.



<http://www.lotl.com/News/Rainbow-Families-Support-Safe-Schools-Program-1078/> 3/29/2016 –RAINBOW FAMILIES SUPPORT SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM Not surprisingly “The NSW group is urging the Federal Government to commit to continued funding of Safe Schools.” This tells us that we shouldn’t support it!

Brethren as the Apostle Paul said “*Therefore, brethren, **stand fast**, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle*” 2Thessalonias 2:15.