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INQUIRY INTO SAME SEX MARRIAGE LAW IN NSW

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I would like to see same sex marraige here in Australia, or at least NSW if Australia is not available. I do not see why same sex couples are not allowed to marry using the argument that "It is against the bible" when the Australian people constantly defies the bible everyday. The Australian people break many of the Ten Commandments at least once a day as follows:

~Though shalt not kill. Prove me wrong, but there is murder commited at least once a month in each state

~Though shalt not have another God before me. We allow all religious and cult secks here in Australia.
~You shall not use the Lord our God's name in vain. Have you heard the language used today?
~You shall work 6 days on the 7th keep it Holy. This is in reference to Sunday. I do not see everyone going to Church or businesses closed
~You shall not commit adultry, 24% of Australian divorces are from cheating spouses.. oh wait another sin divorcing
~Thou shall respect thy mother and father. Again have you heard the conversations in the street?

As you can see there is evidence proven that the "Christian" people in Australia break the Ten Commandments in everyday life in order to pursue happiness in their lives. So who are they or us to say same sex people cannot marry or have children?

I would also like to know, if same sex marraige is not going to go through, would I be able to get a group of people together and ban ALL marraiges as I do not personally believe in it? No of course not. They will all tell me where to go, so why should we do the same to same sex couples?

Also I would like to state marraige was NOT invented by the Christain church, rather it was created back in the Dark Ages as a way to 'sell' their daughter in order to gain lands, build larger armies, gain money. It has only been since the 1940's that women in Australia have been allowed to marry whom they like, and not forced to marry her husbands next single male in order to keep the property. So how can we state that something that is 'new' to the concept of marraige.

Please I am asking you, to put aside your own beliefs and what you have learnt through out your life and see what is right. The correct choice is never easy, it is hard. However, think about the change Australia will go through, same sex couples able to marry the person they love, the one thing opposite gender people take for granted every day. Australia will be moving forward which was after all, Julia Gillards motto in the last election. As a nation in 20-30-100 years time hold our heads high and say "Yes we allowed same sex marriage to go through, we realised the mistake made and corrected it". It would be a catastraphe if the Australian people live with the shame knowing that generations from now will be in an uproar at how we treated them. They will look at our generation the same way we look in the past and see how the white people reigned supreme over coloured or non white people. And how Women's rights were denied until 1917.

The Australia I would like to see, is one where everyone is treated as an equal with no loopholes, no grey areas, no ands ifs or buts.

Thank you
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