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The leader of the Presbyterian Church of Australia has said that Christians are not being discriminatory by wanting to preserve the traditional definition of marriage as the country gets ready to suggest legalizing same-sex marriage.

"We continually are told that the legalization of same-sex marriage would end perceived discrimination against same-sex couples who are currently not able to marry under federal government law," said the Rev. David Jones, as reported by the Herald Sun.

"But at least from the church perspective, opposition to such legalization has nothing to do with discrimination," he continued. "Plain and simply, Christians oppose same-sex marriage because the Bible, the word of the God who created male and female and also created marriage, clearly and distinctly says that marriage is between one man and one woman — which means not between two men or two women."

Both the Australian Christian Lobby and NSW Council of Churches, a representative body of evangelical Christian denominations, have opposed lawmakers' plans to push for redefining marriage.

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