



# Australian Christian Values Checklist – 20 March 2010 SA State Elections

This summary of the positions of major parties on issues of concern to Christians is provided as a service to the Christian community. In the 2006 Census 64% Australians identified themselves as Christians. This checklist has been compiled after an exhaustive search of party platforms, voting history, statements, including in some cases the voting record of their Federal counterparts. Positions are often difficult to summarise in a format of this kind, and parties have not always made definitive statements. Therefore a '?' indicates in some instances a conscience vote, or a less than conclusive opinion on the party's position on some of the issues. Tick equals **YES** ✓ X equals **NO** ✗

Christian Values Checklist	DLP	Family First	Liberal	Labor	Greens
1. Support prayers to open Parliament each day	✓	✓	✓	✓?	✗
2. Support traditional Christian/family values in education	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗
3. Support parental choice of schooling with educational vouchers	✓	?	✗	✗	✗
4. Support and strengthen heterosexual marriage in order to protect children	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗
5. Protect marriage – oppose Relationship Registers for same-sex couples	✓	✓	✓?	✗	✗
6. Protect life in the womb – oppose abortion	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
7. Prohibit use of embryos for stem cell research	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
8. Protect the elderly – voluntary euthanasia to remain illegal	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗
9. Support continued ban on R-18 violent, graphic video games	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
10. Support internet filtering of pornography in all libraries	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
11. Protect & prevent exploitation of women – oppose legalisation of prostitution	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
12. Children need mum & dad – No IVF for singles & same sex couples	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✗
13. Protect biological birthright – repeal surrogacy legislation	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
14. Children need a mother & father – oppose homosexual adoption	✓	✓	✓?	✗	✗
15. Promote family values – refuse support of homosexual 'Feast Festival'	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
16. Support religious exemption for anti-discrimination legislation	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗
17. Protect free speech and freedom of religion – oppose all vilification laws	✓	✓	✓?	✗?	✗
18. Oppose any expansion of gambling venues and gaming machines	✓	✓	✓?	✓?	✓?
19. Strengthen criminal penalties for cannabis and drugs, even personal use	✓	✓	✗?	✗?	✗
20. Reduce damaging effects of alcohol abuse – restrict alcohol advertising	✓?	✓	?	?	✗?
21. Promote sustainable energy to protect the environment & economy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓