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1. On "unquenchable fire" (Mark 9:43, 48) Fudge says that fire, if it is not extinguished, burns up its victims, totally destroying them.
2. On "undying worms" (Mark 9:48) Fudge says this represents total destruction, total extinction.
3. On "gnashing of teeth" (Psalm 112:10) Fudge says this represents *rage*, not pain, and that this rage precedes the wicked person's own destruction.
4. On "smoke that ascends for ever and ever" (Revelation 14:11) Fudge says that this tells us that the extinction of the wicked is perpetual, that it will never be reversed or undone.
5. On "no rest day or night" (Revelation 14:9-11) Fudge says this means that the suffering of the wicked will occur without relief until it is finished and over.
6. On "the cup of God's wrath" (Revelation 14:9-11) Fudge says this is a symbol for God's punishment, which is a complete, irreversible destruction and extinction forever accomplished.
7. On "the lake of fire" (Revelation 19:20; 20:10, 15; 21:8) Fudge says this means the annihilation of Death and Hades, and the annihilation of sinners who are cast into it.
8. On Paul's warnings that the wicked will *die* (Romans 6:21, 23), will *perish* (Romans 2:12), and will be *destroyed* (Galatians 6:8; 1 Cor 3:17,2 Thess 1:9; Php 1:28, 3:19), Fudge says that these all picture the total extinction of sinners at the end.

Fudge concludes that the wicked will finally perish completely and forever in hell, and that this means there will be "a resurrection of the wicked for divine judgment, the fearful anticipation of a consuming fire, irrevocable expulsion from God's presence into a place where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, such conscious suffering as the divine justice individually requires --- and finally, the total, everlasting extinction of the wicked with no hope of resurrection, restoration, or recovery" (p 334).