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The place of punishment for the wicked commencing immediately after death and lasting throughout eternity is the common worldview of hell





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The Old Testament provides great insight for understanding the New Testament and certainly the book of Revelation. In the Old, the destiny of the wicked is stated clearly and has not changed.

Psalm 1:4-6 The wicked are like chaff which the wind blows away, will not stand in judgment, the way of the wicked will perish (“perish” means to pass from or cease from existence, not eternal torture).

Psalm 9:5 Destroyed the wicked;
You have blotted out their name
forever and ever; **6** –the enemy has
come to an end in perpetual ruins, the
very memory of them has perished’;
16 –wicked is snared; **17** – the
wicked return to Sheol (**“destroyed”**
means to ruin, put out of existence,
kill, neutralize, annihilate,
vanquish, and not imperishable).

Psalm 11:6 and 7

Upon the wicked He will rain
snares; Fire and brimstone and
burning wind will be the portion of
their cup. For the LORD is
righteous, He loves righteousness;
The upright will behold His face.
[Fire and brimstone annihilate.]

Psalm 31:17

Let the wicked be put to shame,
let them be silent in Sheol [grave
or reign of the grave].

Psalm 37:9 Evildoers will be cut off; **10**
– yet a little while and the wicked man
will be no more; and you will look
carefully for his place and he will not be
there; **15** - their sword will enter their
own heart; **17** - the arms of the wicked
will be broken; **20** – but the wicked will
perish; and the enemies of the LORD
will be like the glory of the pastures,
they vanish—like smoke they vanish
away;

22 – those cursed by Him will be cut off’; **28** – the wicked will be cut off; **34** the wicked are cut off; **36** – he was no more; **38** – transgressors will be altogether destroyed; the posterity of the wicked will be cut off.



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Psalm 68:2

As wax melts before the fire, so
let the wicked perish before God.





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Psalm 104:35

Let sinners be consumed from the
earth and let the wicked be no
more.





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Psalm 112:10

The desire of the wicked will
perish





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Psalm 119:119

You have removed all the wicked
of the earth like dross.





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Psalm 145:20

The LORD keeps all who love
Him, but all the wicked He will
destroy.





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Proverbs 10:7

The memory of the righteous is
blessed, but the name of the
wicked will rot.



Proverbs 10:25

When the whirlwind passes, the
wicked is no more, but the
righteous has an
everlasting foundation.

Matthew 3:7-10

John warned the arrogant, self-assured Pharisees and Sadducees that they could be cut down like a tree and thrown into the fire.

Matthew 3:8-12

Jesus is both Savior and judge.

The destiny for the wicked is burning like chaff in unquenchable fire. The fire, not the chaff, is unquenchable. Some fires burn out before all is consumed but not this one.

Matthew 7:15-19

False prophets and their followers
will be cut down like bad trees and
thrown into the fire.

Matthew 13:36-43

The sons of the evil one are like
tares gathered and burned in the
furnace of fire at the end of the
age.

John 15:6

Those who fail to abide in Jesus
like a dried up branch will be
gathered and cast into
the fire.

Chaff, trees, tares, and dried branches are all highly combustible in any fire, and in the fire that is unquenchable, they have total destruction. Perpetual fuels in these analogies are absurd and would not enter the mind unless someone suggested the thought.

2 Thessalonians 1:5-9

Destruction means to ruin utterly, consume, dissolve, to put an end to, do away with, demolish, and exterminate. Eternal destruction has two connotations: 1) destruction in the age to come rather than now, and 2) destruction that has everlasting, unchangeable results.

Matthew 7:13 and 14

Jesus contrasts the few with the many and life with destruction.