

Prayers and Plastic Wrap

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Because as I see it,
or as I don't
Or maybe as I see it through a
big pile of
chocolate chip cookies
under Saran Wrap, as I was saying, as I see it
prayers are better than
chocolate chips
prayers are better than Saran wrap
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The effort involved in making
my chocolate chip cookies,
do you know? They're not
easy. No. Not easy. My kids
well, my kids distract me
constantly. Here I am,
trying to bake these things,
my mini-prayers and
my phone ring, kids chatter, dogs
bark and bark and husbands
remain absent. I'm making you cookies
because it's my prayer for you.
Cookies.

